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The Sixth Annual Exhibition of the United States Agricultural Society was held at Richmond, in alliance with the Virginia Central Society, on the 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th days of October. The grounds, which are those heretofore occupied by the State Agricultural Society, were described by the experienced correspondent of the *Country Gentleman* as "too small for the present exhibition, yet the best arranged I have ever seen." An ornamental gateway, over which floated the flags of the United States and of Virginia, opened into an enclosure containing eleven acres, bordered with permanent sheds for cattle, sheep, and swine, and wide enough for a covered walk before the stalls and pens. In the centre of each side was a second-story forage loft; large placards showed the location of each distinct breed, and there was an abundant supply of water in different localities. Within these sheds there was a wide gravel walk around the grounds, and others intersected the level green sward, which was tastefully laid out with clumps of trees and of shrubbery. In the centre was a large tent, fitted up like an amphitheatre with rows of seats, and a rostrum for speakers. Grouped around were four halls and four large tents for the horticultural, pomological, farm product, vegetable, domestic, mechanical, implement, and fine art departments. A long row of permanent coops was provided for the poultry. There were sheds for the locomotive engines, and the heavier implements were arranged in classes upon the grass plats. A permanent building, which met the eye of visitors immediately on entering the grounds, was the "headquarters" of the President, and near it was the marquee of the efficient Chief Marshal, with tents for the Press, the Secretary, the Chief of Police, and six others for the use of committees. Connected with the main show-ground was the horse lot, which contained about five acres, and within which was a track of a quarter of a mile in extent. Three sides of this were bordered with permanent sheds containing stalls, and on the other side (that next the main grounds) were ten tiers of elevated seats for ladies. In the centre of these seats was an raised pavilion for invited guests, commanding a view of the whole scene. A fine display of the flags of different nations decked the grounds, and the band of the State Public Guard furnished excellent music. The attendance was small on Tuesday, but increased in numbers on Wednesday and again on Thursday. A severe storm, which commenced on Thursday night, and continued until Saturday, greatly diminished the receipts, but they will defray all expenditures, including the amount of premiums, \$7,464 50. Taking everything into consideration, it may be said that the Sixth Annual Exhibition was a success, and in many respects it was a decided improvement upon any of its predecessors. Larger numbers of animals and of articles have been shown at former exhibitions, but the object of the Society was to secure those of rare excellence, and to exclude everything of an inferior description. This was accomplished by obliging each exhibitor to submit his entry *himself* to the test of a graduated scale of entry fees, which, together with the rates of admission, were fixed by the Virginia Central Agricultural Society.

A detailed report of the Exhibition will be given in the *Transactions of the United States Agricultural Society for 1858*, with the proceedings of each day, and the names of the honored guests present, among them the representatives of many prominent agricultural associations. Full reports will also be given of the Welcome to Invited Guests by the Hon. Wm. H. McFarland, the Oration by Hon. Caleb Cushing, the Valedictory by Hon. W. C. Rives, the introductory addresses by President Tilghman, and the remarks by Ex-President Tyler, Lord Napier, James Lyons, esq., Hon. B. P. Johnson of New York, Col. B. Allston of South Carolina, Frederick Smyth of New Hampshire, J. D. B. De Bow of Louisiana, Wm. Duane Wilson of Iowa, C. L. Flint and L. Wetherell of Massachusetts, and other gentlemen who participated in the exercises on the grounds, at the banquet, and at the "Farmer's Talk," held each evening at one of the churches in the city.

The cash premiums enumerated below were mostly paid before the government of the United States Society left Richmond—the others will be paid at sight or remitted on presentation of the proper voucher (by mail or otherwise) to Hon. B. B. French, Treasurer U.

S. Agricultural Society, Washington, D. C. The Medals have been ordered from the Mint at Philadelphia, and the Diplomas from the engraver at Boston, and they will be ready for delivery at the next annual meeting of the Society, at Washington city, on the second Wednesday in January, 1859, or they will then be sent by mail or express, as may be ordered. A certificate is also in the engraver's hands, and will be sent by mail, post-paid, to every person to whom a premium of any description has been awarded, as a record of the award. The Secretary will give duplicates of vouchers which may have been lost, when the application is endorsed by Col. Charles Dimmock, Chief Marshal of the Exhibition.

CATTLE DEPARTMENT.—The number of entries was 110, of which 54 were from Virginia. The fine Durhams of S. C. Ludington, of Va.; the Devons of H. J. Stranberg, Oden Bowie, and J. H. McHenry of Maryland; the Ayrshires and Herefords of John Merryman of Maryland, and Thomas Aston of Ohio; the Ayrshires of Wm. C. Wilson of Maryland, and the fine fat cattle from the western part of Virginia, justified the editor of the *Richmond Dispatch* in speaking of the display as "combining a larger number of first class animals than was ever collected together in Virginia."

Durham Bull, three years and over,	1st. S. C. Ludington, Va., "Degalma,"	\$100
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. C. Ludington, "Scipio,"	40
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. O. Bierre, "Oliver,"	50
do. do. one year old and under two,	1st. S. C. Ludington, "Triumph,"	25
do. do. under one year,	1st. S. C. Ludington,	5
do. Cow, three years old and over,	1st. S. C. Ludington, "Mazurka 4th,"	75
do. do. do. do.	1st. S. C. Ludington, "Chance,"	30
do. do. do. do.	S. C. Ludington, "Red Rose,"	diploma.
do. do. two years old and under three,	1st. S. C. Ludington, "Berthia,"	\$40
Devon Bull, three years old and over,	1st. G. B. Dillard, "Romeo,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. Alexander Garritt, "Hero,"	40
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. H. J. Stranberg, Md., "Richmond,"	50
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. A. G. Davis, "Tim,"	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. Oden Bowie, Md.,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. H. J. Stranberg, Md., "Baltimore,"	15
do. do. do.	2d. A. G. Davis, "Jim,"	5
do. Cow, three years and over,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Dalia,"	75
do. do. do. do.	2d. H. J. Stranberg, Md., "Matilda,"	30
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. Oden Bowie, Md., "Sunshine,"	40
do. do. do. do.	2d. Oden Bowie, Md., "Fuschia,"	15
do. Heifer, one year and under two,	1st. Oden Bowie, Md., "Bride,"	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Florence,"	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. H. J. Stranberg, Md., "Beauty,"	15
do. do. do.	2d. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Darling,"	5
Ayrshire Bull, three years old and over,	1st. J. B. Crenshaw, "Mar,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. John Merryman, Md., "Monmouth,"	40
do. Cow, do. do.	1st. Peter D. Glenn, "Christmas,"	75
do. do. two years old and under three,	1st. Peter D. Glenn, "Mary,"	40
do. do. do. do.	2d. Peter D. Glenn, "Martha,"	15
Hereford Bull, three years old and over,	1st. Thomas Aston, Ohio, "Fairboy,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. John Merryman, Md., "Catalfra,"	40
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. Thomas Aston, Ohio, "Grand Duke,"	25
do. Cow, three years old and over,	1st. Thomas Aston, Ohio, "Duchess,"	75
do. do. do. do.	2d. John Merryman, Md., "Lilac,"	30
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. Thomas Aston, Ohio, "Beauty,"	40
do. Heifer, under one year,	1st. Thomas Aston, Ohio, "Jenny,"	15
Alderney Bull, two years old and under three,	1st. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Prince,"	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Reward,"	20
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Perry,"	25
do. do. under one year,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Trump,"	15
do. do. do.	2d. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Richmond,"	5
do. Cow, two years and over,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Lady 3d,"	75
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Clara,"	30
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Jessie,"	40
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Ariel,"	25
do. Heifer, under one year,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Primrose,"	15
do. do. do.	2d. W. C. Wilson, Md., "Empress 2d,"	5
Grade Bull, (discretionary)	Kuhn & Martin, "Mazeppa,"	15
do. Cow, three years old and over,	1st. S. C. Ludington, "Lady Roan,"	30

Grade Cow, three years old and over,	2d. Crouse & Irvine,	\$15
do. do. two years and under three,	1st. Crouse & Irvine,	20
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. C. Ludington,	10
Native Cow, three years old and upwards,	1st. Crouse & Irvine,	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. John D. Warren,	15
Working Oxen, four years and over,	1st. S. C. Ludington,	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. Crouse & Irvine,	20
do. do. two years and under four,	1st. A. G. Davis,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. Crouse & Irvine,	10
Driver's premium divided,	{ Mr. Ludington's driver, \$2.50 } { Mr. Davis's driver, \$2.50 }	5
Fat Bullocks, five years old and over,	1st. Crouse & Irvine,	50
do. do. three years old and under five,	1st. S. C. Ludington,	30
do. Cows, five years old and over,	1st. S. C. Ludington,	30
do. do. three years and under five,	1st. Crouse & Irvine,	20
do. Steer, (discretionary,)	S. C. Ludington,	20

HORSE DEPARTMENT.—"The display of Horses," said the *Richmond Dispatch* of Oct. 27, "is superior and more varied than at any former State exhibition of that noble animal," nor has there ever been a finer "ring" of thorough-breds shown at any of the National Exhibitions than that in which Otelius, Regent, Revenue, Red Eye, Fly-by-Night, Mazeppa, Prince Albert, Childe Harold, Primero, Ned Fisher, Mangobick, and Telegraph were entered. The trotting-stock, although not numerous, was of a high order of excellence, and there were fine specimens of the Cleaveland Bay and Norman Draft-horse stock. The number of entries was 191, of which 158 were from the State of Virginia.

Thorough-bred Stallions, 4 years old and over,	1st. John Minor Botts, "Revenue,"	\$100
do. do. do. do.	2d. John L. White, "Fly-by-Night,"	40
do. do. do. do.	P. T. Simmons, Md., "Childe," diploma.	
do. do. 3 years old & under 4,	1st. J. T. A. Martin, "Telegraph,"	\$75
do. do. do. do.	2d. P. T. Simmonds, Md., "Torquator,"	30
do. do. 2 years and under 3,	1st. T. W. Doswell, "Exchequer,"	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. Thos. J. Deane,	20
do. Mares, 4 years old and over,	1st. Thos. W. Doswell, "Nina,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. C. Scott, "Pauline,"	40
do. do. 2 years and under 3,	1st. John Belcher, "Betsey Red,"	50
do. do. under one year old,	1st. A. M. Braxton, "Mary Washington,"	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. R. V. Gaines, "Nelly Bly"	5
Stallions not thorough-bred, 4 years old & over,	1st. W. C. Rives, "Emperor,"	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. F. Felton, Md., "Paul Clifford,"	25
do. do. do. 3 years & under 4,	1st. F. Felton, Md., "Ticonderoga,"	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. P. Braxton, "Virginus,"	15
do. do. do. 2 years & under 3,	1st. R. A. Willis, "Young America,"	20
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. F. Lewis, "Rob Roy,"	10
do. do. do. 1 year and under,	1st. N. Berkley, "Wabun,"	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. O. F. Peirce, "Timon,"	10
do. do. do. under one year,	1st. John P. Ballard,	5
do. Mares, do. do. 4 years old & over,	1st. Franklin Felton, Md., "Fanny,"	50
do. do. do. 3 years & under 4,	1st. Richard Wood, "Blanche,"	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. Alex. Kerr, "Fleda,"	15
do. do. do. 2 years & under 3,	1st. C. B. White, "Leisure,"	20
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. B. Quarles, "Judy,"	10
do. do. do. 1 year & under 2,	1st. B. T. Stanley, "Nina,"	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. Wm. Smith, "Helen Philips,"	10
do. do. do. do.	R. B. Haxall,	diploma.
do. do. do. under one year,	1st. W. G. Taliadro, "Crinoline,"	\$5
Heavy Draft Stallion, four years old & under,	1st. W. B. Sowers, "Morgan Frederick,"	50
do. do. do. 3 years and under four,	1st. G. W. Mowry, "Augusta Morgan,"	30
do. do. Mare, four years old and over,	1st. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Lilly,"	50
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. J. H. McHenry, Md., "Snow Drop,"	30
do. do. Geldings, best pair,	N. M. Lee, "John" and "Logan,"	20
Matched Geldings, pairs, in harness,	1st. Allen Dorsey, D. C.,	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. E. J. Burnett,	25
do. Mares, do. do. do.	1st. E. J. Burnett,	50
do. do. do. do.	2d. C. Y. Morris,	25
Roadsters, Geldings, single, in harness,	1st. J. Brummell, "Barney,"	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. A. Barnes, "Frank,"	15

Roadsters, Mares, single, in harness,	1st. S. Walker, "Lady Morgan,"	\$30
do. do. do. do.	2d. Franklin Felton, "Fanny,"	15
Saddle-horses, Geldings.	1st. G. W. Thomas,	30
do. do. do.	2d. T. F. Wilson.	15
do. do. Mares,	1st. J. B. Oden,	30
do. do. do.	2d. H. E. Peyton,	15
Ponies and horsemanship,	1st. W. T. Miller,	20
do. do. do.	2d. A. Benson,	10
Trotting Stallion, six years old and over,	1st. H. J. Smith, "Kossuth,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. Norman Dayton, N. Y., "Kit Carson,"	50
do. do. under six years,	1st. H. W. Blunt, D. C., "Morse Gray,"	75
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. P. Paff, N. Y., "Rip Van Winkle,"	30
do. Mares, six years old and over.	1st. Franklin Felton, Md., "Fanny,"	100
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. Sherar, "Nannie Bell,"	50
Mule, two years old and over,	1st. C. Fisher, "Jim,"	30

SHEEP DEPARTMENT.—The display of sheep was not large, there being but 51 pens entered, of which 38 were from Virginia.

Long-wooled Bucks, two years and over,	1st. Josiah Ware, Va.,	\$30
do. do. do. do.	2d. Josiah Ware,	15
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. Josiah Ware,	25
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. Thos. Aston, Ohio.	10
do. do. do. do. do.	1st. Josiah Ware,	15
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. Josiah Ware,	5
do. Ewes, two years old and over,	1st. Josiah Ware.	30
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. Josiah Ware,	15
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. Thos. Aston, Ohio,	25
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. Josiah Ware,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. Josiah Ware,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. Josiah Ware,	5
South Down Bucks, two years and over,	1st. J. C. Jones, Pa., "Prince,"	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. C. Jones, Pa., "Rock,"	15
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. Richard France, Md.,	25
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. Richard France, Md.,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. J. C. Jones, Pa.,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. J. C. Jones, Pa.,	5
do. Ewes, two years old and over,	1st. J. C. Jones, Pa.,	30
do. do. do. do. do.	2d. R. France, Md.,	15
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. R. France, Md.,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. R. France, Md.,	10
Saxon Bucks, two years old and over,	1st. J. W. Davidson, "Peter,"	30
Silesian Merino Bucks, two years and over,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. L. Wight, "Campbell,"	15
do. do. one year and under 2,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. L. Wight, "Americus,"	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	5
Silesian Merino Ewes, two years and over,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. one year and under 2,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	5
Spanish Merino Bucks, two years and over,	1st. S. S. Bradford, "Campbell,"	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. W. L. Wight, "Wooster,"	15
do. do. one year and under 2,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	5
Spanish Merino Ewes, two years and over,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	30
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. one year and under 2,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	25
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	10
do. do. under one year,	1st. S. S. Bradford,	15
do. do. do. do.	2d. S. S. Bradford,	5
Best slaughtered Mutton,	Crouse & Irvine,	10

SWINE DEPARTMENT.—But 24 pens were entered, of which 14 were from Virginia, the others coming from Chester county, Pennsylvania, and Baltimore, Md.

Large Breed Boars, two years and upwards,	1st. T. Wood, Pa.,	\$25
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. B. L. Wood, Pa.,	15
do. Sows, two years and upwards,	1st. T. Wood, Pa.,	25
do. do. one year and under two,	1st. B. L. Wood, Pa.,	15
do. Sow and pigs,	1st. A. A. Tanguy, Pa.,	20
do. do.	2d. R. N. Thorn, Pa.,	10
do. Pigs, (discretionary,)	B. Hickman, Pa.,	certificate.
do. do. do.	T. Wood, Pa.,	certificate.
do. do. do.	W. Ashbridge, Pa.,	certificate.
Small Breed Boars, one year and under two,	1st. R. L. Haile,	\$15
do. do. do. do.	Fendall Griffin,	5
do. Sows, do. do.	Fendall Griffin,	15
do. do. do. do.	Fendall Griffin,	5
do. Sow and Pigs,	Fendall Griffin,	20

POULTRY DEPARTMENT.—There were 39 entries, (some of several coops,) of which 21 were of "game" fowl, many of them very fine. The other breeds were not, generally speaking, of pure blood, and on that account did not receive the premiums.

Shanghaes, (discretionary,)	E. P. Odell,	\$2 50
Game, best pair,	Robert Allen,	\$5
do. (discretionary,)	W. S. Edmonds,	3
do. do.	W. G. Dandridge,	3
do. do.	James Duke,	3
do. do.	L. R. Miller,	3
Dominiques, best pair,	Miss McConnell,	5
White Bantams, do.	Miss McConnell,	5
Black Bantams, do.	R. W. Stores,	5
Muscovy Ducks, do.	Mrs. J. D. Lumpkin,	5
Mongrel do. do.	Mrs. Lucy C. Binford,	5
Hong Kong Geese, do.	W. C. Wilson, Md.,	5
Mongrel do. do.	L. N. Paleski,	5
Wild do. do.	W. B. Palmer,	5
Domestic Turkeys, do.	Mrs. John D. Taylor,	5
White do. do.	Mrs. Mary A. Page,	5
Guinea Fowls, do.	Wm. S. Brittain,	5
Pea do. (discretionary,)	T. L. Crouch,	3
Best collection of Pigeons,	W. B. Palmer,	5

FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCT DEPARTMENT.—The display was not large, but embraced fine specimens of the principal staple products of the United States, with some good garden vegetables, and a small show of fruits. There were 68 entries, 51 of them from Virginia.

Tobacco, English shipping leaf,	1st. W. Branch,	\$30
do. Continental do.	1st. J. S. Cobbs,	30
do. Bright manufacturing wrapper,	1st. P. N. Thomas,	30
Potatoes, Irish,	1st. F. Davidson,	5
do. Sweet,	1st. Mrs. Binford,	5
Turnips,	1st. Fendall Griffin,	5
Collection Garden Vegetables,	1st. L. Chamberlayn,	20
do. do.	2d. A. S. Stores,	10
do. Products of shores of Lake Superior.	Jas. S. Ritchie, Minnesota,	diploma.
Ruta Bagas, (discretionary,)	Henry Timberlake,	certificate.
Asparagras, do.	H. J. Smith,	certificate.
Winter Wheat, do.	1st. C. H. Boughton,	\$10
Oats,	2d. Tench Tilghman, Md.,	5
Shelled White Corn,	1st. Mrs. F. Griffin,	5
Oysters,	1st. J. G. Lumpkin,	5
Fleece Saxony Wool,	C. G. Thompson,	5
Samples of Wool, (discretionary,)	J. M. Davidson,	5
do. Rice, do.	—, —, —,	diploma.
do. do. do.	B. Alston, S. C.,	diploma.
do. Hungarian grass, do.	J. R. Spartman, S. C.,	diploma.
Collection of Apples,	Jabez Smith,	certificate.
do. do.	1st. H. B. Jones,	\$20
	2d. J. S. Toombs & Brother,	10

Collection of Native Grapes,	1st. Mrs. W. Willis,	\$10
Wine Sap Apples, (discretionary,)	Henry Timberlake,	diploma.
Gooseberries, do.	John Hampson, N. Y.,	diploma.
Sparkling Catawba, "Bogens,"	R. J. Colston & Co ,	bronze medal.
Blackberry Vinegar, (discretionary,)	Mrs. Dr. Lyne,	diploma.
do. Wine, do.	Mrs. C. S. Morgan,	diploma.
Lemon Soda, &c. do.	M. McCormick,	diploma.
Bottled Ale, Porter and Stout, do.	Arny & Shinn, D. C.,	diploma.

HORTICULTURAL AND DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.—There was but a meagre display of flowers of domestic productions, as when the large amount offered in premiums was taken into consideration, but the specimens of female handiwork, taste, and industry were numerous and attractive, making the number of entries nearly 300, of which but 27 were from other States.

Display of exotics,	1st prem. James Guest, Va.,	\$10
do. Hardy plants,	1st prem. James Guest,	10
do. annuals,	1st prem. James Guest,	10
do. do.	2d prem. John Morton,	5
Floral Design,	1st prem. John Morton,	5
do. do.	2d prem. James Guest,	10
Pair circular hand boquets,	John Morton,	5
Basket boquet for table,	John Morton,	5
Suspended basket boquet,	John Morton,	5
Large boquet,	John Morton,	5
Hams,	1st prem. Mrs. L. C. Binford,	10
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. H. Cox,	5
Fresh butter,	1st do. Mrs. J. C. Burton,	10
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. L. C. Binford,	5
Chesse,	2d do. Mrs. A. J. Hinfard,	5
Lard,	1st do. Mrs. Timberlake,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. Z. Benford,	3
Honey,	1st do. C. M. Maddox,	5
do. do.	2d do. J. W. Johnson, Pa.,	3
Collection of jellies,	1st do. Mrs. E. B. Spence,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. Wm. Willis,	3
do. pickles,	1st do. Mrs. Henry Cox,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. Wm. Willis,	3
Wheat Bread,	1st do. Mrs. J. B. Morton,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. Cox,	3
Corn Bread,	1st do. Mrs. Lizzie M. Williams,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. L. C. Binford,	3
Sponge Cake,	1st do. Mrs. R. B. Lyne,	5
do. do.	2d do. Miss J. E. Turpin,	3
Pound do.	1st do. Mrs. Wm. Breeden,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. Dr. Coons,	3
Fruit do.	1st do. Mrs. J. C. Burton,	5
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. W. Willis,	3
Preserves, (discretionary,)	1st do. Mrs. H. Cox,	diploma.
do. do.	2d do. Mrs. L. C. Binford,	certificate.
Dried Peaches, do.	Mrs. J. Gibson,	certificate.
Best ten yards jeans,	Mrs. Martha Hatch,	\$10
do. do. linsey,	Mrs. L. Partlow,	10
do. three ounces flax thread,	Miss E. M. Collier,	5
do. six cuts woolen yam,	Mrs. L. Partlow,	5
do. made fine shirt,	Miss S. M. McFarlan,	5
do. knit woolen undershirts,	Daniel Tally,	5
do. do. do. drawers,	Daniel Tally,	5
do. do. do. stockings.	Mrs. R. C. Howe,	5
do. do. cotton do.	Miss Jennie Smith,	5
do. do. woolen socks,	Mrs. J. Johnson,	5
do. do. cotton do.	Miss Jennie Smith,	5
do. woolen carpet,	Mrs. G. Via,	5
do. white counterpane,	Miss Nancy C. Price,	10
do. do. do.	Mrs. Hawkes,	5
do. patchwork quilt,	Mrs. M. A. Bohannon,	10
do. do. do.	Miss Maria Weldon,	5
do. ornamented counterpane,	Mrs. C. Cleveland,	5

Best ornamented table cover,	Miss B. R. Jacobs.	\$5
do. do. hearthrug,	Miss J. Bagby,	5
do. do. chair cover,	Miss Dill,	5
do. do. set of tidies,	Mrs. P. Woolfork,	5
do. do. lamp mats,	Miss A. R. Hooper,	5
do. needle-worked infant's dress,	Mrs. Marius Gilliam,	5
do. do. handkerchiefs,	Miss Tilghman, Md.,	5
do. do. collar,	Miss S. A. Patridge,	5
do. silk embroidery,	Mrs. Dr. Roddy,	5
do. worsted do.	Mrs. S. Caldwell,	5
do. crotchett work,	Miss Mary E. Cooke, N. C.,	5
do. pair of slippers,	Miss Emma Lane,	5
do. ornamental leather work.	Miss Emma Dimmock,	5
do. do. wax work,	Miss J. Turpin,	5
do. do. bead work,	Miss Emma Lane,	5
Silk stockings, (discretionary.)	Mrs. Tally, (aged 70,) certificate.	
Fancy work box, do.	Miss Ella Hubbard,	do.
Woolen stockings, do.	Miss Merriman, (knit with one hand.)	do.
Worked piano cover, do.	Mrs. D. Epperson,	do.

THE MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT, (as is the case at the exhibitions of the Royal Agricultural Society of England,) was the largest, the most attractive, and the most useful section of the exhibition. There were 134 entries for premiums, of which Virginia contributed 57, New York 23, Pennsylvania 17, Maryland 8, Ohio 5, Delaware 5, Massachusetts 3, North Carolina 3, Illinois 2, Michigan 2, District of Columbia 2, Rhode Island 2, Maine 1, Vermont 1, New Jersey 1, Tennessee 1, and Alabama 1.

Best locomotive farm engine,	Philip Rahm, Richmond.	grand gold medal.
do. do. (discretionary.)	Ettenger & Edmund,	special diploma.
do. do. do.	Talbot & Brother,	do. do.
Miller's steam-boiler alarm, do.	F. B. Fournier, Ohio,	do. do.
Best new agricultural implement,	[award undecided,]	silver medal.
Plough for general use, 1st prem.	E. Whitman & Co., Md.,	do. do.
do. do. 2d do.	Sayre & Remington, N. Y.,	bronze do.
do. do. stubble, 1st do.	R. B. Winston,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	George Watt & Co.,	bronze do.
do. do. sod, 1st do.	George Watt & Co.,	silver do.
do. do. sub-soil,	E. Whitman & Co., Md.,	bronze do.
do. do. draining,	A. P. Routt,	silver do.
Collection ploughs, Watt's improvement,	George Watt & Co.,	diploma.
Corn, cotton, and potato plough,	Henry Schreiner,	do.
For ploughing, 1st prem.	Wm. Shepardston,	do.
do. do. 2d do.	V. H. D. Smither's man William	do.
Harrows, 1st do.	Henry M. Platt, N. Y.,	silver medal.
Corn planters, 1st do.	J. H. Wiggan, Mass.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	A. P. Routt,	bronze do.
Grain drill, 1st do.	J. D. Willoughby & Black, Pa.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	Bickford & Huffman, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Broadcast sowers, 1st do.	D. H. Furbush, Maine,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	Bickford & Huffman, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Corn cultivator, 1st do.	Sayre & Remington, N. Y.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	H. M. Smith,	bronze do.
Horse hoe for drills, 1st do.	Sayre & Remington, N. Y.,	silver do.
Mower and reaper, 1st prem.	T. D. Burrall, N. Y.,	silver medal.
do. do. 2d do.	R. L. Allen, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Mower, (with Wood's improvement,) 1st do.	W. A. Wood, N. Y.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	R. L. Allen, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Reaper, (southern reaper,) 1st do.	R. L. Allen, N. Y.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	Jesse Whitehead,	bronze do.
Revolving rake and reel,	Chas. Dimmock,	diploma and silver do.
Automaton rake, 1st do.	Jesse Whitehead,	do. do.
Horse, do. 1st do.	G. B. Griffin, Pa.,	do. do.
Six grain cradles, do. do.	J. T. Grant, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Threshing machine, 1st do.	Emery Brothers, N. Y.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	H. M. Smith,	bronze do.
Horse power, 1st do.	Emery brothers, N. Y.,	silver do.
do. do. 2d do.	E. Potts & Co., Pa.,	bronze do.

Governor for horse power,		Lea Pusey, Delaware,	diploma.
Fanning mill,	1st prem.	J. T. Grant & Co., N. Y.,	silver medal.
do. do.	2d	do. J. Montgomery & Co., Md.,	bronze do.
Corn stalk cutter,	do.	do. J. B. Griffin, Pa.,	silver do.
Corn harvester,	1st	do. R. C. Mauck,	diploma.
do. do.	2d	do. Reamer & Miller,	do.
Brush cutting machine,		do. E. Seymour, N. Y.,	do.
Shingle machine,	1st prem.	do. M. P. O. HERN,	silver medal.
do. do.	2d	do. M. Connell,	bronze do.
Models of Ingersoll's hay press,		do. J. B. Turner,	diploma.
Portable packing saw,		do. John Haws,	do.
Patent saw gunner,		do. T. Taylor,	do.
Display of circular saws,		do. Burgee & Boyle,	do.
Improved mill pick,		do. W. Brady, Pa.,	do.
Log pump,		do. Suter & Houcheng,	do.
Cross-cut saw,		do. B. Grubbs,	do.
Rotary movement,		do. S. Ingersoll, Conn.,	do.
Machine for making barrels,		do. O. P. Smith, D. C.,	do.
Improved water wheel,		do. Robert Baird, Va.,	do.
Grain refiner,		do. A. F. Porter, Pa.,	do.
Improvement in putting grain cradles together,		do. J. T. Grant & Co., N. Y.,	do.
Corn and cob mill, "Colman's,"	1st prem.	do. Church & Fleming,	silver medal.
Portable flour mill,	do. do.	do. Chas. Ross, N. Y.,	do. do.
Corn husker,	do. do.	do. S. A. Smith, Mass.,	do. do.
Corn sheller,	do. do.	do. S. & M. Pinnock & Co., Pa.,	do. do.
do.	2d	do. Thos. D. Barrale, N. Y.,	bronze do.
Hay and straw cutter,	1st	do. G. B. Griffin, Pa.,	silver do.
do. do.	2d	do. Sinclair & Co., Md.,	bronze do.
Sorgho mill,	1st	do. Douglas Brothers, Ohio,	silver do.
Cider mill,	1st	do. H. M. Smith,	do. do.
Tobacco press,	1st	do. Mercer & Coleman,	do. do.
Large platform scales,	1st	do. Jno. Howe & Frank Howe, N. Y.,	do. do.
Small do.	1st	do. do. do.	bronze do.
Farm pumps,		do. Grain & West, N. Y.,	do. do.
Family coach,		do. Alfred King,	diploma.
Heavy four-wheel carriage,		do. Alfred King,	silver medal.
Light do. do.		do. Alfred King,	do. do.
Light spring-wagon,	1st	do. R. F. Linch & Bro.,	do. do.
Trotting sulky,		do. R. F. Linch & Bro.,	do. do.
Trotting sulky,		do. H. J. Smith,	diploma.
Horse cart,		do. E. P. Odell,	silver medal.
Ox cart,		do. E. P. Odell,	do. do.
Heavy farm wagon,		do. D. B. Corrie,	diploma.
Light two-horse wagon,		do. D. B. Corrie,	do.
Heavy street wagon,		do. E. P. Odell,	do.
Double Dumping wagon,		do. D. A. Sutphin,	do.
Self-acting wagon brake, (model,)		do. R. S. Kellog,	do.
Heavy double carriage harness,		do. Alfred King,	silver medal.
Light do. do. do.		do. S. S. Cottrell,	do. do.
Riding saddle and bridle,		do. S. S. Cottrell,	do. do.
Best collection whips,		do. S. S. Cottrell,	do. do.
Wheelbarrows,		do. H. M. Smith,	bronze do.
Bee hive,		do. J. W. Johnson,	certificate commendation.
do.		do. A. S. Maddox,	do.
Post augurs,		do. H. M. Smith,	bronze medal.
Jack-screws,		do. E. P. Odell,	do. do.
Iron railings,		do. Geo. S. Lownes & Co.,	diploma.
Gate latch,		do. Geo. W. Barker,	do.
Barrels,	best.	do. Fras. Neidermayer,	do.
do.	second	do. J. T. Bass,	do.
Stoves,		do. Rathban & Co., N. Y.,	bronze medal,
Hollingsworth's washing machine,		do. W. H. & B. B. Woodward,	diploma.
Knuckle washing machine,		do. A. J. Harvey, Pa.,	do.
Bartholt's sewing machine,		do. D. J. Levy,	do.
Case of clothing,		do. Tupman & Hull,	do.
Carburet of iron, for stove polish,		do. Joseph Dixon, New Jersey,	do.

Apparatus for lighting houses, "Sunlight Gas Works,"		{ Dudley & Holmes, Mich., {	silver medal and special diploma.
Elastic iron railway,		S. A. Beers, N. Y.,	special do.
Apparatus for heating houses,		Dudley & Holmes, Mich.,	silver medal.
Warren's roofing,		John Viles,	do. do.
Hand-loom, (plantation loom,)		W. H. Holliday,	do. do.
Kedzie's water filter,		Jas. Terrey & Co., N. Y.,	do. do.
Old Dominion coffee pot,		Arthur Bernon & Co.,	do. do.
Sewing machines, (Wheeler & Wilson's,) 1st.		E. H. Craig,	do. do.
do. do. (Singer's,) 2d.		A. G. Butterfield,	bronze do.
Butter worker,		Ellison Yerby, D. C.,	do. do.
Refrigerators,		North, Chase, & North, D. C.,	do. do.
Washing machines.		A. A. Huffer, Md.,	do. do.
Sausage meat cutter,		J. W. Vincent, R. I.,	do. do.
do. stuffer,		H. M. Smith,	do. do.
Brooms,		W. D. Cook, N. C.,	do. do.
Self-ventilating milk pan,		Arthur Bernon & Co.	diploma.
Patent carpet sweeper,		E. Shaler & Co., N. Y.,	do.
Ice dish and butter cooler,		C. A. McEvery & Co.,	do.

ART AND GENERAL UTILITY DEPARTMENT.—There were 74 articles entered in this department, 61 from Virginia, but very few of them could compete for the premiums offered, and others were of such a nature that the society had no opportunity of submitting them to that practical test which alone can warrant the bestowal of a diploma.

Surveyor's compass,		Rich'd Patten, Md.,	silver medal.
Barometer,		J. Kedsie, N. Y.,	do. do.
Dynamometer,		Emery & Co., N. Y.,	do. do.
Medicine chest for farm use,		Fisher & Winston,	bronze do.
Double barrelled gun,	1st prem.	S. Sutherland,	silver do.
do. do.	2d do.	S. Sutherland,	bronze do.
Single do.	2d do.	S. Sutherland,	do. do.
Rifle, (with special diploma,)	1st do.	Sharpe's Arms Co.,	silver do.
Rifle,	2d do.	S. Sutherland,	bronze do.
Tools for die-cutting,		H. M. Moses,	diploma.
Oil pictures of animals,		E. Troye, Kentucky,	silver medal.
Maps of an estate,		W. F. Pleasants,	do. do.
do.		A. G. Ware, Tenn.,	bronze do.
Architectural designs,		John R. Hall, Mass.,	silver do.
Plan of a granary,		James T. Worthington, Ohio,	bronze do.
Paintings of shells,		Peter Baumgras,	special diploma.
Painting,		Miss M. A. Hughes,	do.
Crayon drawing,		Miss N. C. Brown,	do.
Ornamental penmanship,		J. S. Duncan, Pa.,	special do.
Engraved models of penmanship,		P. Duff, Pa.,	do.
System of book-keeping,		do.	do.
Lyons' patent penholder,		T. Kenton Lyons,	do.
Engraving, initial, stamping, &c.,		H. M. Moses & Co.,	do.
Minerals of Virginia,		Charles Dimmock,	silver medal.
do. any other State,		O. Hendrick,	bronze do.
Specimens of Kanawha coal,		Thomas L. Brown,	diploma.
do. do. salt,		Thomas L. Brown,	do.
do. Rockbridge marble,		A. P. Viguesney,	do.
do. coal,		Colston & Co.,	do.
Orchards under ten years of age,	1st prem.	Louis Tndor,	\$20

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.—The following extracts from the Reports of Committees are published by order of the Executive Committee, and the awards therein recommended are confirmed.

Special Committee on Herds.—"The committee state without hesitation that no one of them has ever before seen a finer display of cattle, as far as quality is concerned. They award a Special Diploma to S. C. Ludington, of Lewisburg, Va., for the finest Herd of Durhams, animals of very superior character. A Special Diploma to H. J. Stranberg, of Brookletts, Md., for the best Herd of Devons, ten in number; with Diplomas to J. Howard McHenry, of Pikesville, Md., for his Herd of five, and to Oden Bowie, of Md., for his Herd of six—all being beautiful animals. A Special Diploma to Thomas Aston, of Elyria, Ohio, for the best herd of Herefords, fine animals, brought from the southern shore of Lake Erie by their enter-

prising owner. Special Diplomas to J. H. McHenry and W. C. Wilson, of Baltimore, Md., for their fine Herds of Alderneys, each five in number, and equally worthy of high commendation. Mr. Ludington exhibited with his herd a Durham steer, 2 years and 8 months old, the weight of which is 2,000 pounds."

Committee on Thoroughbred Stallions.—"The committee desire to state that 'Red Eye' was ruled out, as not thoroughbred, otherwise he would have unquestionably have received one of the prizes. Neither were they satisfied with the pedigree of 'Regent,' a horse of fine appearance."

Committee on Harvesting Machines.—"The committee report that many very valuable implements were presented before them for examination, and that they have given all the attention which the time allotted them would permit. Eight combined machines for reaping and mowing were entered, one of which 'Wood's Manny' was entered for exhibition only, having received the Gold Medal at the Syracuse trial of reapers in 1857, and is, in the judgment of the committee, fully entitled to the position it then occupied. Two mowers were entered for premium—and one, C. Aultman's 'Buck Eye' Mower, for exhibition only, it having received the Gold Medal at Syracuse in 1857. Two reapers were entered for premium—and one for exhibition, 'McCormick's' reaper, to which the Gold Medal was awarded at the trial at Syracuse in 1857, and which still maintains the high position then assigned it.

"In announcing the premiums awarded to the machines which entered into competition, the committee desire to state that the examinations made by them, (without that trial which is so important to determine the true value of a machine,) have not been as satisfactory as they would have been had there been a trial in the field. They have however considered, from the best evidences before them, the relative merits of machines most of which have a deservedly high reputation. The reaper exhibited by Mr. Whitehead has some points which, when perfected, may make it equal to any other machine, and the revolving rake and reel invented by Charles Dimmock, is worthy of especial attention. The improvement in putting grain cradles together, by which the whole arrangement is simplified, is a new and valuable invention."

Committee on Agricultural Machines.—"The large and small Platform Scales made under the Ross & Strong patent, and exhibited by John Howe, of Brandon, Vermont, and Frank E. Howe, of 438 Broome street, New York, were carefully examined by your committee. These scales, from their simplicity of construction, seem to require some further notice than the mere award of a medal. The Six Ton scale on exhibition, when balanced by the adjusting ball, was tested by one of your committee being weighed, and afterwards being weighed upon one of the small scales selected at random from a number exhibited, when there was no perceptible difference in their indications of weight. The scales were then tested by placing one sealed weight of 50 lbs. upon its platform and tested. Two more were then added, and then additional ones, up to twenty sealed 50 lbs. weights, placed upon different parts and corners of the platform, and in every instance correct weights were indicated. The floor platform was then sufficiently removed to afford an examination of its mode of construction, which it is hardly necessary here to describe, but it is quite enough to say, that your committee were unanimous in their opinion, that the important point of simplicity of construction as well of correctness of weight had been attained. A sliding vernier is also used to subdivide the divisions of 5 pounds upon the beam into pounds. Your committee therefore award to the Messrs. Howe the first premium, a silver medal, for the large platform Hay Scale, and the first premium, a bronze medal, for the portable scale."

Special Committee on "Sun-Light Gas Works."—"The special committee on the 'Sun-Light Gas Works' of Dudley & Holmes, Detroit, Michigan, report that they deem the construction of the retort, with its spiral column, presenting a large heating surface in a small space, and the annular space for purification, superior to any which has fallen under their observation. The arrangement for 'burning out' the retort, by which the residuum left in the retort is removed and the durability of the same secured, also presents advantages not possessed by other apparatus. The light shown was superior to either coal or rosin oil gas, being made of good sperm oil. In the absence of any opportunity of comparing the works with others, we decline expressing any opinion of superiority. But for the merits of the apparatus as presented above, we recommend, in addition to the premium which may be awarded, a special diploma."

TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION.—The locomotive farm engine, manufactured by Philip Rahm, of the Eagle foundry, Richmond, to which was awarded the Grand Gold Medal of Honor, at the Sixth National Exhibition, was escorted from the Fair grounds by the numerous workmen of the establishment, with music and banners. An engraving of this premium engine will appear in the volume of Transactions for 1858.

BACK NUMBERS of the *Monthly Bulletin* furnished, to complete sets.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the United States Agricultural Society was in session at Richmond during the exhibition, and until the evening of the following Tuesday, when it adjourned to the Society's Rooms at Washington, and after sitting there on Wednesday, Nov. 3d, adjourned to meet on the second Monday in January, 1859, two days prior to the annual meeting. Present, President Tilghman, Messrs. Henry Wager, J. McGowan, Josiah Ware, Frederick Symth, Henry Wilson, and John Merryman, and Secretary Poore. The greater portion of the business transacted related to the Exhibition, but the following resolutions were ordered to be published :—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Government of the United States Agricultural Society be presented to Col. Charles Dimmock, of Richmond, Chief Marshal and General Superintendent, for his services, his courtesy, and his endeavors to promote the success of the Sixth Annual Exhibition.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Government of the United States Agricultural Society be presented to the Honorables Caleb Cushing, W. C. Rives, and W. H. McFarland for the addresses delivered by them at the Sixth Annual Exhibition, and that copies of the same be requested for publication in the volume of Transactions.

Resolved, That the regulation by which, "when there is but one exhibitor, although he may show several animals in the same class and order, only one premium will be awarded, to be first or otherwise, as the merits of the animal may be adjudged," is suspended during the present Exhibition, with the positive understanding that it will be strictly enforced hereafter.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the United States Agricultural Society deem the system of Horse Taming, advocated and practised by Professor Rarey, worthy of the attention of all those interested in that subject.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Government of the United States Agricultural Society be presented to the editors and reporters of the *Richmond Dispatch*, the *Richmond Enquirer*, and the *Richmond Whig* for their valuable aid in promoting the success of the Exhibition, and to all other editors and reporters who have given it publicity.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Executive Committee be presented to Mr. J. P. Ballard, of the Exchange Hotel, for his attention and liberality during their stay in Richmond, and his exertions to promote their comfort.

Resolved, That after the close of the present year, the "Transactions" of the United States Agricultural Society be published in monthly parts, in connexion with the "Bulletin," and distributed gratuitously to Annual as well as to Life Members.

FARMER'S HIGH SCHOOL OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The Germantown Telegraph states that the west wing of this institution will be completely finished in time for the intended opening in February next. This wing comprises one-third of the entire college structure, and contains 63 chambers, 9 by 17, five class-rooms, 20 by 20, a dining-room and lecture-room, each 20 by 40, large halls and roomy corridors, wash and bath-rooms and closets on each story, and a complete private residence with separate halls and entrances. The whole will be supplied with water, ventilation, and temperature by the most convenient and most reliable arrangements known to modern architects. Mr. C. B. Callahan, a well-known professional architect, has superintended the construction with assiduous attention, and takes commendable and natural pride in securing to this noble structure all the perfection of detail and finish which his long experience enables him to bestow. The building committee of the board of trustees have sacrificed private business and personal comfort, as well as time and private means, to the great object of completing the work, and rendering it in all respects substantial, secure, and perfect in finish and adaptation. Besides this they bear the heavier care of the organization of the institution for its novel and varied service, a task involving immense difficulty. In all this they bear their own expenses, and have at the same time been among the most liberal contributors to the treasury.

The improvements on the School Farm continue to be prosecuted vigorously. Large orchards, some miles of hedging, extensive nurseries, avenues, and sheltering belts, have been planted and thoroughly cultivated, and there is already a considerable stock of hardy trees and plants in the nurseries, of saleable size, and of admirable thrift and vigor. The strong, dry, free soil and elevated situation are eminently favorable for the growth of hardy trees. They are robust, but not tenderly luxuriant; they ripen their wood early, and will readily recover growth after transplanting. The usual farm crops have been good. More than one-half of the labor expended on the farm has been the clearing up of fence-rows, sprouts, grubs, stumps, and stones, and on more than one-half of the farm, all impediments to the processes of thorough cultivation have been carefully removed.

In the experimental department, one hundred and ten distinct varieties of wheat, (presented by D. J. Browne, esq., of the Patent Office,) have been sown this season, and very many varieties of other grains, roots and grasses. The collection of fruits is probably the largest in the State. Various manures are on trial, especially those which have been found

to stimulate the growth and early ripening of wheat. A large variety of implements, and different modes of culture are also on trial, and, in all, there are now one hundred and ninety-three distinct field experiments instituted and registered in the record of experiment. In the rows of didactic culture, for illustration to students, the various modes of culture will be compared side by side, both with the best usual culture, and with *no culture*.

An impression is abroad that the farm is not adequately supplied with water. It is enough of correction to this mistake to say, that during the extremely dry weather and low water of last month, a well supplied—at 21 feet below the natural surface—abundant water for the use of several families, and for a very large force of plasterers and masons, who alone consumed 70 barrels on the 27th. The water is of mild and excellent quality. In one of the quarries there is a living spring at about 12 feet from the surface, and another in the shades of the arboretum will afford an eligible location for an out-door bathing pond, if desired. The college will be supplied abundantly with pure, soft water, on each of the seven floors, as well as with well water. The barn cisterns continue to supply all the stock and much more. The shop, steam boiler, and plant pit are amply and conveniently supplied by a pump in the boiler shed.

Positive arrangements and conditions for the admission of students and organization of the institution, cannot be fully matured or published before the next meeting of the board of trustees, which it is expected will be held in the early part of December.

The annual report of the President of the Board of Trustees, will be published about New-Year, or at the opening of the session of the Legislature, and will contain a full inventory and detail of all operations on the farm, with contributed papers on special subjects of culture, prepared by leading culturists specially for it. A copy will be forwarded, if possible, to the address of every subscriber and contributor.

The citizens of a few counties have subscribed over \$10,000 in part of the necessary contributions towards \$25,000, which *must* be raised by individual subscription. These subscriptions are due November 1, 1858, and May 1, 1859, and the duplicates are now in the hands of gentlemen who will attend to the collections. Farther subscriptions are urgently needed, and should be made payable April 1, 1859.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.—The United States Agricultural Society will hold its Seventh Annual Meeting in the Lecture Room of the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington city, on Wednesday, the twelfth day of January, 1859, when the election of officers will be held, and the business required by the constitution of the Society will be transacted.

Officers and Members of the Society are respectfully notified to attend, and a cordial invitation is extended to State and other Agricultural Associations to send Delegates, that there may be a general representation of Agriculturists "in Congress assembled," to protect and sustain their interests, acting as a national organization on such matters pertaining to Agriculture as may be deemed appropriate. Gentlemen from other lands who may be interested in the acquisition and diffusion of Agricultural knowledge, are also invited to attend, and to participate in the proceedings.


The Medals and Diplomas awarded at the Sixth Annual Exhibition at Richmond, will be delivered to successful competitors, or their agents. The published volume of Transactions for 1858, will be delivered to Members of the Society, and to gentlemen connected with the Agricultural Press.

Important Agricultural topics will be publicly discussed, after introductory remarks by eminent scientific and practical agriculturists. Gentlemen having other topics pertinent to the advancement of Agriculture, which they may wish to introduce or to have discussed, will please refer them to the Executive Committee, through the Secretary, that a place may be assigned them on the daily programme.

Propositions from cities at which the next Annual Exhibition of the Society is desired, will be received and considered.

The Business Office of the Society is in Todd's Marble Building, one door west of Brown's Hotel, Pennsylvania avenue, where all interested in the cause of Agricultural improvement are invited to call when in Washington city. A large number of Agricultural newspapers, periodicals and reports, (liberally contributed,) are placed on file for public inspection, and the Library is also free to all who may desire to examine it. Models or Drawings of Agricultural Implements, and other objects of interest, are placed on exhibition without charge.

Gentlemen who may wish to become Life Members of the Society, can do so by paying or remitting ten dollars to the Treasurer, Hon. B. B. French, Washington city. This will entitle them, without any further payments, to the full privileges of membership—among these are: free admission to all exhibitions of the Society, the annual volumes of published Transactions, the Monthly Bulletin, and the large and elegant Diploma. The fee for Annual Membership is two dollars, which ensures the receipt of the Transactions and the Monthly Bulletin for one year.

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